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VICE RAIDERS STIR  
BROADWAY FOUR HOURS

New York Police Round Up  
1,500 in Thirty Chop Suey  
Restaurants.

(New York Tribune.)  
One of the most spectacular raids ever made in this city took place yesterday morning, when police under the direction of James E. Smith entered thirty chop suey restaurants in the Tenderloin. The places visited were all in the Fourth inspection district, which extends from Forty-second street and Broadway north to 110th street, from Sixth avenue and Central park west to the Hudson river. The raiding party, which included scores of detectives and policemen under Inspector Dominick Henry and Acting Captain Richard McKenna, left their meeting point, Forty-second street and Fifth avenue, at 2 o'clock. At the same time, by preconcerted arrangement, two policemen entered the thirty restaurants and announced that every one present would have to remain until the arrival of the district attorney. At this some of the 1,500 patrons in the various places became indignant and wanted to know by what authority they were being detained, and threatened to sue the policemen.

**Raids Last Four Hours.**  
The first chop suey restaurant at which the police stopped was the Viceroy, 107 West Forty-second street, and the last was a restaurant kept by Lee Suey, 210 Manhattan avenue, which is near 110th street, the tour taking four hours. When Mr. Smith arrived at each place he scrutinized every man and woman and those who could properly identify themselves were allowed to go. Two hundred others, ninety of whom were sent to the station, were taken to the West Forty-seventh Street police station, where their names and addresses were taken and they were sent home on the condition that they would never patronize such places again. Among those found guilty of running a chop suey were a man and a woman, who were in the places with what Mr. Smith termed "undesirable" escorts. Quite a few of the diners who were taken to the station house were from out of town, some of whom on being questioned by the assistant district attorney admitted they came to this city on account of the lid being down in their home town.

**Draft Cards Demanded.**  
As the raiding party would enter the restaurants the patrons would be ordered to line up and the men were questioned by Mr. Smith, who stood at the entrance with a stenographer. One of the first questions put to the men was a demand for their registration cards. In many instances these were not forthcoming, and in all cases their names and addresses were taken, and will be forwarded to the federal authorities. If a man was accompanied by a woman he was asked if she was his wife; if so she had to produce her wedding ring. Among others caught were soldiers and sailors. Some of the latter requested Mr. Smith for a note to their commander to explain their detention. A few enemy aliens were caught, and after taking their names and addresses the assistant district attorney said he would report them to the proper authorities.

**Crowds Follow Raiders.**  
Despite the hour of the raids Broadway soon was awakened, and in a short time so great a crowd gathered that the police reserves from the West Forty-seventh, Sixty-eighth and One Hundredth Street stations were sent to keep order. Men and boys, women and girls, swarmed into the streets and ran from place to place. Some went so far as to hire taxicabs, to keep up with the pace set by Detectives Finn and McGowan, who led the raiding party. The ringing of the bells on the fire alarm horns, mingled with occasional screams and cries and much shouting, made the "White Way" look like a night of a presidential election. At the sight of the advancing police a number of women fainted, while others tried to slip past Mr. Smith without giving a satisfactory answer as to why they were out so late. They pleaded not to be arrested, while others who were ordered taken to the station house protested against being placed in a patrol wagon. Many wanted to hire a taxicab, but this was not permitted. When officials reached the Harlem residential section the greatest excitement prevailed. The clanging of the patrol bell aroused the residents, and scores opened windows or ran to the streets. Surface cars were blocked by the taxicabs, whose fares wanted to get as close to the scene of the raids as possible.

CONGRESS SOON TO  
FACE CENSUS PROBLEM

Millions of Dollars for 1920  
Census to Be Provided—Inquiries Now Being Decided.

Washington, April 17.—(Correspondence Associated Press.)—Congress will soon be faced with the necessity of providing millions of dollars for the 1920 census. Just what inquiries will be made at every American home is the problem now being worked out, before determining upon the exact appropriation needed. Census Director Rogers estimates that the total cost of the census, including the annual and other inquiries occurring during the decennial census period, if done in accordance with plans the census bureau has formulated, will not exceed \$20,000,000 to \$22,000,000. The estimate could be taking the population census alone is \$10,410,000. Besides considering population, the bureau's plans contemplate the usual elaborate inquiries on manufactures, agriculture, mining and forestry, annual special inquiries and other work. This includes vital statistics, statistics of cities and states, tobacco, cotton and cottonseed products. Taken collectively, Director Rogers says that the estimated cost of various lines of work would run, for example, \$1,440,000, mostly for field work; population, \$1,440,000. The expenditures for the census of 1910 were about \$15,500,000. The census bureau is receiving many suggestions for extension of the usual field of nation-wide enumeration. There has been a great demand to know the stock hides, leather and manufacture of saddles, shoes, boots, belting and leather goods, and it was deemed essential to get at least the total count, including wool drawn from the hides of kids and sheep that goes into

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## GAS! IT GETS SAMMY'S GOAT

Everybody in the Yankee Trenches is a Committee of One to Give Warning  
When the Stink Stuff Comes—and Sometimes When it Doesn't.



Sammys practicing a charge—wearing gas masks—at a training camp in America.

(By C. C. Lyon.)  
**First Line American Trenches in France.**—There's one thing about this war game over here that gets everybody's goat. That's gas. I've never met any soldier who had any use for it in any manner, shape or form. Gas has taken all the romance out of fighting and has made it just about as interesting as digging ditches. How can a handsome young lieutenant feel dashing and romantic providing around in the trenches wearing a thingamajig that gives his head the appearance of a pig's snout, makes him puff and blow like a blacksmith's bellows and cuts off his speech? One trouble with the American army in France is it has too many alleged gas experts. Every man or officer in or out of the trenches is constituted a committee of one to notify the rest of the army whenever he thinks he detects the presence of gas. He does this either by sounding a siren horn that is shrill enough to wake the dead, by setting up skyrockets, or by rushing

through the trenches or the village streets yelling "Gas!" at the top of his voice. Practically all this notifying is done during the night when a fellow is trying to get a few hours' sleep. Instead of rushing into your gas mask, as common caution would indicate, one's first impulse is to throw a hand grenade at the notifier. Of course, the boys who yell "gas" have the best intentions, but their diagnoses prove wrong about four times out of five. High explosive shells, shrapnel and barages have practically ceased to be meat-time topics. It's all gas. "Well," drawls a certain "doughboy" from down south, "I calculate as how these gas alarms are a good thing for all of us, even if most of them are false ones. They're like fleas on a dog—they keep us from getting lazy." I met a young life several times since I began living with the boys up in the front trenches. One night the entire front resounded with the gas alarm signals. Every body got into his mask.

Pretty soon a young French lieutenant who was attached to the outfit as interpreter came running along and said to us: "Take off your masks, gentlemen. I assure you it is nothing." When some of us hesitated, he went on: "You can't fool me about this gas; I've been apophized twice and the last time I was laid up in the hospital for a month." A soldier was said to him: "Lieutenant, you're like the old American woman who was giving a young mother advice on how to take care of babies: 'You can't tell me anything about bringing up babies because I have buried nine of my own.'"

Seriously speaking, practically all gas cases in the American army up to date have been the result of carelessness. The most get tired putting on their masks and then finding out that the alarm was a false one; so when some real gas comes along they say, "Just another fake alarm," and it's the hospital for them. Only a very small percentage of gas cases result in death.

NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS  
AS TO GLASS IN FOOD

**Passage of Sabotage Bill Will Enable Prosecution and Punishment of Such Crimes.**

Washington, April 18.—The attorney-general authorizes publication of the following: "Washington, April 12, 1918. 'Hon. James A. Fear.' 'House of Representatives.' 'Sir: The department of justice has the honor to acknowledge your letter, dated the 8th instant, in reference to statements in the press that efforts have been made by German spies in this country to injure our people by use of broken glass, poisoned cutlery, poisoned waters, and other means.' 'The department has received numerous complaints of the presence of broken glass in food substances, but most thorough investigation has failed to establish a single case in which glass had been maliciously placed therein.' 'The greater number of the alleged 'broken glass cases' developed into instances where there were found present small pieces of flint, sand, or other impurities that had either accidentally or through negligence, appeared in the products. There have been a few cases where glass did occur in such commodities, but in these instances the presence of the glass was due, not to the presence of the impurities but to some negligence, to accident or to some negligence in the manufacture or other a willful intent to cause them. 'As to poisoned cutlery, a number of complaints have been made to the department and have been thoroughly investigated. In all of these cases but one no harmful trace of poison was found. 'In one case (occurring in Illinois) the investigation showed the presence in some cutlery of tetanus germs, which the department is assured by chemists might occur in the negligent preparation of cutlery, but even in this case there was no evidence of willful intent to place such germs in the cutlery, and the inference was that they occurred through carelessness in manufacture. The concern manufacturing the cutlery was duly warned, and has agreed to redouble its efforts to secure the production of an article free from injurious contents. 'No cases of poisoning have been reported to the department, but in a few instances complaints have been made by the department has heard that there might be poison in water intended for the use of horses or other animals belonging to or intended for the federal government or the allies. Thorough investigation has shown all these complaints to be without foundation. The department has discovered no case where any attempt was made to injure horses or animals belonging to or destined for government use by means of poisoned water. 'There was found recently a small quantity of bicarbonate of mercury in a horse trough in West Virginia, but there is as yet no evidence to show how this substance came there, and no horses or other animals belonging to or destined for the use of the government were injured by the use of the bicarbonate. This matter is being thoroughly investigated. 'So far as the federal government is concerned it would seem that the enactment of the pending sabotage bill now before congress would enable the prosecution of, and the fixing of adequate punishment for, such offenses as you describe against government property or property destined for the military or naval use of the government. 'Respectfully, 'T. W. GREGORY, 'Attorney-General.'"

TWO DEATHS FROM NATURAL  
CAUSES AT CAMP GORDON

Atlanta, April 18.—The deaths from natural causes of Privates E. Brown, Fort Valley, Ga., and John L. Phillips, Elkins, Ala., were announced at the surgeon's office at Camp Gordon yesterday. AVIATION CADETS INJURED BY AIRPLANE FALLING

Houston, Tex., April 18.—Earl R. Southern, of Birmingham, N. Y., civilian instructor at Ellington field, was seriously injured and an aviation cadet slightly hurt at the aviation camp here when their airplane fell about 100 feet in a spin. Instructor Southern is in the field hospital, but his injuries probably are not fatal.

SCHWAB WILLING TO RESIGN  
TO BECOME DIRECTOR FLEET

Washington, April 18.—Charles M. Schwab has told the shipping board that he is willing to resign his Bethlehem Steel Corporation position, if necessary, to undertake the work of director-general of the emergency fleet corporation.

THOUSANDS OF BOHEMIAN  
FAMILIES ARE STARVING

Washington, April 18.—Thousands of families in Bohemia, especially at Prague and vicinity, are starving, according to an official dispatch from France which quotes the Leipziger Volkszeitung. Last week it was estimated that there was a deficit of 160,000 loaves of bread in Prague.

CAPT. PAULSEN PLEADS GUILTY  
TO SHIPPING AMMUNITION

San Francisco, April 18.—Capt. A. R. Paulsen, of the steamer Alliance, pleaded guilty before United States District Judge Maurice T. Dooling here to a charge of shipping 10,000 rounds of ammunition and several pistols from this city to Mexican points in violation of a presidential proclamation prohibiting such shipments.

Fashionable Restaurant Projectors  
Write Exclusively to Papers to  
Counteract Criticism.

London, March 18.—(Correspondence Associated Press.)—Projectors of the fashionable restaurant, in what is known as the West End, have been busy writing letters to the newspapers in an effort to counteract the criticism that there are among the new party-planned public. The grievance of the

public is that they are charged as much and sometimes more than the smaller dishes than they paid for the larger ones before the days of compulsory rationing. Nor have the eating places made any allowance for the fact that they no longer serve sugar and butter. Increased war-time cost of labor and tableware is given by the restaurant proprietors as justification for their action.

The head of one of the most expensive Strand hotels, popular with Americans, takes the line that the gross profits of his place are less than in pre-war days. The increased cost of labor and materials has, he says, made necessary the extra charges for less food. He deals exhaustively with the subject in a letter to the papers, and gives a table which shows that "able men and other articles have been trebled in price since the war."

Posts Northeast of Ypres  
Occupied by Germans

Berlin (via London), April 18.—The Germans have occupied Poelcapelle and Langemarck to the northeast of Ypres. The announcement is made by general headquarters, which says: "On the battlefield of last year's Flanders' battle Poelcapelle and Langemarck have been taken."

The official statement issued by general headquarters yesterday reads: "On the bloodstained battlefields of last year's Flanders' battle, Gen. Sixt von Arnim's army occupied Poelcapelle and advanced its lines near Becelaere and Gheluvelt."

"North of the Yser, during the early morning hours, troops under Gen. Sixt von Arnim's army occupied Poelcapelle and advanced its lines near Becelaere and Gheluvelt."

"Bailluet and the stubbornly defended point of support, Cappelle, were captured. By the use of strong forces the English, supported by French, vainly endeavored to recapture the point of support, but their attacks broke down with the heaviest losses."

ZEITUNG HAS ARTICLE ON  
U. S. CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

The Hague, March 19.—(Correspondence Associated Press.)—A series of articles on the "Chemical Industries of the United States" has been appearing in the Chemiker Zeitung. The series in the latest number of the magazine has an outline of measures which Germany should take to meet American competition after the war, particularly in the field of dyes and organic chemistry.

LONG-LOST MANTLE OF  
KING OF BOHEMIA FOUND

London, March 19.—(Correspondence Associated Press.)—The coronation mantle of the King of Bohemia, which long ago mysteriously disappeared, has just been discovered in a little shop owned by an old woman who has been guarding and treasuring it devotedly, says a Central News dispatch from Prague.

The reappearance of the mantle has caused some excitement and the superstitious see in it a sign from heaven that in the near future the crown of ancient sovereignty will once again be required for its original use.

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